Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 28, 1918.

Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit making an appointment for, or soliciting any person in the service of the United States military or naval forces, to meet or come in contact with any immoral woman for the purpose of unlawful sexual intercourse; prohibiting any person operating a vehicle for hire from transportating any person engaged in the service of the United States military or naval forces to any place for the purpose of un-lawful sexual intercourse; prohibiting any person operating a vehicle for hire from transporting any woman for purpose of meeting anyone engaged in the service of the United States military or naval forces for the purpose of unlawful sexual intercourse; prohibiting any person operating a vehicle for hire from transporting any woman accompanied by another person engaged in the mili-tary or naval forces of the United States to any place for the purpose of unlawful sexual intercourse; providing a penalty for the violation of this Act, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under sonsideration, and I am instructed to report the bill back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PAGE, Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, Feb. 28, 1918.

Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 8.

Have had the same under consideration, and hereby report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the following committee substitute do pass.

PAGE, Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, Feb. 28, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

inal Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 15, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7447, Chapter 5, Title 126 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, of 1911, so as to hereafter provide that no license shall be granted to any dealer in either spirituous, vinous or malt liquors except within incorporated cities or towns and prescribing the distance from certain institutions and places within which no license for such business shall be granted, and declaring an emergency,'

Have had the same under consideration, and hereby report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PAGE, Chairman.

FIFTH DAY.

Senate Chamber. Austin, Texas, Saturday, March 2, 1918.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by President Pro Tem. Decherd.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Alderdice. Gibson. Bailey. Hopkins. Bee. Johnson of Hall.

Buchanan of Bell. Lattimore. Buchanan of Scurry.McNealus.

Caldwell. Page. Collins. Robbins. Dayton. Smith. Dean. Strickland. Decherd. Suiter. Faust. Westbrook.

Floyd.

Absent.

Hall.

Absent—Excused.

McCollum. Clark. Henderson. Parr. Hudspeth. Woodward. Johnston of Harris.

Prayer by Rev. C. S. Wright of the First Methodist Church, -Austin.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Alderdice.

Sir: Your Committee on Crim- (Senator Westbrook in the chair.)

Excused.

Senator Johnston of Harris for today, on account of important business, on motion of Senator Bailey.

Senator Woodward for today, on account of important business, on motion of Senator Bee.

Senator Clark for today, for the same reason, on motion of Senator Robbins.

Senator Hall for today, on account of sickness, on motion of Senator Bailey.

Petitions and Memorials.

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Committee Reports.

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Message from the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 2, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 10, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 611 of the Penal Code of Texas, adopted in 1911, so as to prohibit the sale of spirituous or vinous liquors in quantities of one gallon or less, without taking out a license as a retail liquor dealer; prescribing a penalty for the violation of this Act; providing that prosecutions under this Act shall have precedence upon the dockets of the district court; providing that persons convicted of violations of this Act shall not have the benefits of the Suspended Sentence Act, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 11, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 612 of the Penal Code of Texas, adopted in 1911, so as to prohibit the sale of malt liquors capable of producing intoxication, in quantities of one gallon or less without taking out a license as a retail malt dealer; prescribing a penalty for the violation of this Act; providing that prosecutions thereunder shall have precedence in perintendent of every State instituthe district court; providing that persons convicted for violations of asylum, school, college or university,

this Act shall not have the benefit of the Suspended Sentence Act, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 13, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the purchase or procuring for, or the sale, gift or delivery to, any person engaged or enlisted in the military or naval forces of the United States, of any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors, or medicated bitters capable of producing intoxication; prescribing a penalty for the violation of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

H. C. R. No. 2, relating to employment and pay of alien enemies in the

State of Texas.

Respectfully, BOB BARKER, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Bills Read and Referred.

The Chair Senator Westbrook, had referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills:

H. B. No. 10, referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 11, referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 13, referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

Bills and Resolutions.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 2.

The Chair laid before the Senate House Concurrent Resolution No. 2,

Whereas, It is currently reported and believed that there is a number of alien enemies and other persons, not citizens of, and in some of its counties, precincts and incorporated towns and cities, the United States in the employment of the State of Texas, and as such a fact is contrary to both public policy and common welfare, and

Whereas, Such money paid to such alien enemies out of the public funds and to others not citizens of the United States, should better be paid to citizens of undoubted loyalty; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the head of each State department, each and every manager or sution, farm, railway, penitentiary,

each and every sheriff, county commissioner, county judge, constable or their deputies, mayor or manager of towns or cities, or any other person, drawing pay or honor from the public, be required within sixty days to file with the Secretary of State a sworn detailed statement of all enemy aliens or subject of countries with which the United States is at war, and, of such countries as the United States has severed diplomatic relations with, and a separate detailed statement of each and every other alien, giving the date their employment began, their name, place of birth, date of birth, length of time of residence in the United States and in Texas, and their present local address. The term enemy alien herein used means all those who are not citizens as at present construed by National and State regulations, and

Whereas, An urgent necessity exists for this information, the Secretary of State is herewith requested to mail a copy of the resolution to each and every of the above mentioned officers, or heads of departments, by whatever official name known, and to require answers within sixty days.

MENDELL. THOMASON of El Paso.

The resolution was read and on motion of Senator Collins the same was adopted.

Morning call concluded.

Senate Bill No. 14.

The Chair laid before the Senate as special order for this hour and on second reading:

S. B. No. 14, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing counties, acting through their commissioners' courts, to purchase seed to be planted on farms in such counties by residents thereof who are poor and unable to procure same, and to purchase feed for the work stock of such residents, and prescribing the terms and conditions, rules and regulations, by which such seed and feed will be furnished said residents of the counties who are poor and unable to procure the same; authorizing counties to use their general funds for the purpose, where they have such funds; authorizing them to issue warrants against such funds if such counties

will have the same when the taxes for the year 1918 are collected; conferring certain powers and prescribing certain duties, relative to the administration of this Act, on the commissioners' courts and the county clerks of the various counties of the State; defining the terms of the application and the contract by which residents of the counties acting within the purview of this Act may obtain seed and feed hereunder, and providing for the payment therefor by such persons; conferring certain power and authority upon the county tax collectors and county attorneys relative to the administration of this Act; providing the terms and conditions upon which the State will advance certain amounts to the various counties of the State to augment the funds provided for the purchase of seed and feed, and the uistribution of same hereunder, and the terms and conditions thereof; prescribing certain duties for the Commissioner of Agriculture, the State Treasurer, the Comptroller of Public Accounts and the Attorney General of the State of Texas, relative to the administration of this Act; providing for the payment to the State of funds advanced by it; defining and creating certain offenses for viola-tions of the terms of this Act, and providing punishment therefor; stating when operation may be commenced under this Act and when the distribution of seed and feed hereunder shall cease; making an appropriation for carrying out the purposes of this Act in the sum of two million dollars, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report that the bill be not printed was adopted.

Pending discussion by Senator Buchanan of Scurry, the Chair called attention to the fact that the time allowed by the rules of the Senate for debate had expired.

On motion of Senator Bee, Senator Buchanan's time ws extended indefinitely.

The bill was read second time and Senator Buchanan of Scurry moved the engrossment of the same.

As a substitute Senator Dayton moved that the bill be set as a special order for next Monday to follow consideration of Senate Bill No. 11.

The substitute was withdrawn.

As a substitute for the motion to engross, Senator Suiter moved to lay the bill on the table, subject to call, and request the Attorney General for an opinion as to the constitutionality of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 1.

Senator Hopkins called up from the table, and the Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

S. B. No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 44 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, and to provide the manner in which the State funds shall be kept and deposited; to define the State Depository Board and its powers, and what banks may become State Depositories, and the manner and means selecting such State Depositories; providing for the distribution of such State funds among such depositories, repealing all laws in conflict, and declaring an emergency.

The bill was read, and

Senator Hopkins offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend Senate Bill No. 1, as follows:

Page 1, line 12, add after the word "selecting" the following: "and for the qualification of".

(2) Page 4, line 8, add after the word "abstracts" the following: "or title".

HOPKINS.

Senator Page offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill, page 3, line 31, by adding after the word "improvements" the following: "or shall execute a bond signed by some surety company authorized to do business in Texas, and in an amount not less than double the amount of State funds deposited in said bank, said bond to be payable to the State Treasurer and to be in such form as may be provided by the depository board and subject to the approval of the said board".

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which being duly seconded was ordered.

The amendment was then adopted. Senator Page offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill, page 3, lines 28 and 29 by striking out the following: "or vendors lien or mortgage lien notes bearing interest at not exceeding six per cent per annum, secured by a first lien on real estate of value at least double the amount of said notes, exclusive of improve-Amend further by striking ments." out in line 1 and 2, the following: "or vendors lien or mortgage notes" Amend further by striking out all of section 2423, after the period in line 6.

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Senator Lattimore offered the following amendment to the foregoing amendment:

Amend the amendment by striking therefrom that portion of same as folglows: Page 3, lines 29 and 30 beginning with the word "bearing" and down to and including the words "per annum."

LATTIMORE.

Pending.

Recess.

At 12:30 o'clock -p. m. Senator McNealus moved that the Senate recess until 2:30 o'clock today.

As a substitute Senator Caldwell moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock next Monday morning.

The substitute was lost.

Action recurred upon the motion to recess and the same prevailed.

After Recess.

(Afternoon Session.)

The Senate was called to order at 2:30 p. m. by Senator Westbrook.

House Joint Resolution No. 1.

By unanimous consent and on request of Senator Dean, the Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

H. J. R. No. 1, "Ratifying the The amendment was read and amendment to the Constitution of Senator Dean moved the previous the United States of America proquestion on the adoption of same posed by the Sixty-fifth Congress of

the United States at its second session, prohibiting the manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into, or the exportation thereof from the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes; authorizing Congress and the several States of the United States of America to have concurrent power to enforce said article by appropriate legislation, and providing that said article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States by the Legisla-tures of the several States, as provided in the Constitution, within seven years from the date of the submission of same to the States by Congress."

The Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended.

The committee report that the resolution be not printed was adopted.

Senator Dean offered the following amendments which were read and adopted seriatim:

(1) Amend the resolution by inserting after the word "transportation" line 2, section 1, page 1, the following:

"of intoxicating liquors within this State, the importation thereof into".

(2) Amend the resolution by inserting after the word "Constitution," line 2 section 3, page 2, the following:

"by the legislatures of the several States".

(3) Amend the resolution by substitution of the word "States" for the word "State" in line 4, section 3, page 2 thereof.

Amend the resolution by inserting after the words "the Constitution," line 2, section 3, page 2, the following:

"by the legislatures of the several States".

Senator Bee offered the following:

Substitute.

Whereas, The Congress of the United States of America by a majority of both Houses thereof has submitted to the Legislatures of the various States a proposition to amend the Constitution of the United States by adding thereto the following:

"Article ----

"Section 1. After one year from the ratification of this article the manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into or the exportation thereof from the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes is hereby prohibited.

"Section 2. The Congress and the several States shall have concurrent power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

"Section 3. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the Legislatures of the several States as provided in the Constitution within seven years from the date of the submission hereof to the States by the Congress."

And Whereas, There has been no expression by the people of the State of Texas of their views upon this momentous question, which seems to us to be contrary to the principles of Democracy as taught by the Fathers of our party; and

Whereas, The members of the Thirty-fifth Legislature were elected before this question was submitted without any expression thereon from the people and in order that the people of Texas may be given an opportunity to instruct their representatives as to their wishes in the premises; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That action on Senate Joint Resolution No. 1 be postponed by this Legislature and that the Democratic Executive Committee of Texas be requested to place this question upon the official ballot to be voted upon at the primary election to be held in July, 1918, in order that the people of Texas may be given an opportunity to instruct their representatives in the Thirty-sixth Legislature which will assemble on the second Tuesday in January, 1919.

BEE.
BAILEY.
PAGE.
HALL.
CLARK.
JOHNSTON of Harris.
CALDWELL.
FAUST.

The substitute was read and lost by the following vote:

Yeas-3.

Bailey. Caldwell. Faust.

Nays-13.

Alderdice. Hopkins.
Buchanan of Bell. Lattimore.
Buchanan of Scurry.Robbins.
Collins. Smith.
Dean. Suiter.
Floyd. Westbrook.

Gibson.

Absent.

Parr.

Absent-Excused.

Clark. McNealus. Hall. Woodward.

Pairs Recorded.

Senator Page (present), who would vote "yea"; Senator Henderson (absent), who would vote "nay."

Senator Dayton (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Johnston of Harris (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Johnson of Hall (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Mc-Collum (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Bee (present), who would vote "yea"; Senator Decherd (absent), who would vote "nay."

Senator Strickland (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Hudspeth (absent), who would vote "yea."

The resolution was read second time and passed to its third reading.

Simple Resolution No. 7.

Senator Caldwell called up from the table and the Chair land before the Senate Simple, Resolution No. 7 as follows:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms pay for the rent of such typewriter machines as may be necessary for the employes of the Senate not to exceed four dollars a month for each machine.

CALDWELL.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Senate Bill No. 1.

(Pending business.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, as pending business:

Senate Bill No. 1, Providing for depositories for public funds.

The question being upon the pending amendment by Senator Lattimore to the amendment of Senator Page.

Senator Lattimore withdrew the amendment to the amendment and offered the following substitute for the pending amendment:

Amend Senate Bill No. 1, page 3, by striking out all of lines 29 and 30 and beginning with the word "bearing" in line 29 and including words "per annum" on line 30.

LATTIMORE.

The substitute prevailed and was adopted as substituted.

Senator Page offered the following amendment which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill, page 4, line 30, by adding after the word "stock" the following, "and permanent surplus." PAGE.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Hopkins, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and Senate Bill No. 1 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas-21.

Alderdice. Gibson.
Bailey. Hopkins.
Bee. Johnson of Hall.
Buchanan of Bell. Lattimore.
Buchanan of Scurry.McNealus.

Caldwell. Page.
Collins. Smith.
Dayton. Strickland.
Dean. Suiter.
Faust. Westbrook.
Floyd.

Absent.

Johnston of Harris Robbins.

Absent-Excused.

Clark. Hudspeth.
Decherd. McCollum.
Hall. Parr.
Henderson. Woodward.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time and, on motion or Senator Hopkins, was passed finally.

Senator Hopkins moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 15.

Senator Suiter asked for unanimous consent to take up for consideration Senate Bill No. 15. There was no objection and the Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

S. B. No. 15, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7447, Chapter 5, Title 126 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, of 1911, so as to hereafter provide that no license shall be granted to any dealer in either spirituous, vinous or malt liquors except within incorporated cities or towns and prescribing the distance from certain institutions and places within which no license for such business shall be granted, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read and

On motion of Senator Suiter the bill was laid on the table subject to call.

Senate Bill No. 3.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

S. B. No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 611 of the Penal Code of Texas adopted in 1911, so as to prohibit the sale of spirituous or vinous liquors in quantities of one gallon or less, without taking out a license as a retail liquor dealer; prescribing a penalty for the violation of this Act; providing that prosecutions under this Act shall have precedence upon the dockets of the districts courts; providing that persons convicted for violations of this Act shall not have the benefits of the Suspended Sentence Act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read and on motion of Senator Dean the same was laid on the table subject to call.

Senate Bill No. 4.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

S. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled the table, subject to call.

"An Act to amend Article 612, of the Penal Code of Texas adopted in 1911, so as to prohibit the sale of malt liquors capable of producing intoxication, in quantities of one gallon or less, without taking out a license as a retail malt dealer; prescribing a penalty for the violation of this Act; providing that prosecutions hereunder shall have precedence in the district courts; providing that persons convicted for violations of this Act shall not have the benefit of the Suspended Sentence Act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read and on motion of Senator Dean the same was laid on the table subject to call.

Senate Bill No. 5.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

S. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the sale of any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors, or medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication to any person engaged, employed, or enlisted in the military or naval service of the United States, and in uniform, prescribing a penalty for the violation of this Act; providing that each sale shall constitute a separate offense, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read and on motion of Senator Dean the same was laid on the table subject to call.

Senate Bill No. 6.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

S. B. No. 6, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the purchase or procuring for, or the sale, gift or delivery to any person engaged or enlisted in the military or naval forces of the United States, of any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors, or medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication; prescribing a penalty for the violation of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read and on motion of Senator Dean, the same was laid on the table, subject to call.

Senate Bill No. 7.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

S. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit making an appointment for, or soliciting any person in the service of the United States military or naval forces to meet or come in contact with any immoral woman for the purpose of unlawful sexual intercourse; prohibiting any person operating a vehicle for hire from transporting any person engaged in the service of the United States military or naval forces to any place for the purpose of unlawful sexual intercourse; prohibiting any person operating a vehicle for hire from transporting any woman accompanied by any person engaged in the military or naval forces of the United States to any place for the purpose of unlawful sexual intercourse; providing a penalty for the violation of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read and Senator Dean moved that the bill be laid on the table subject to call.

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 11.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

S. B. No. 11, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring that if any person shall during the time the United States of America is at war, use any language in the presence and hearing of another of and concerning the United States of America, the entry or continuance of the United States of America in the war, or of and concerning any flag, standard, color or ensign of the United States of America, or any imitation thereof. or that of any officer of the United States of America, which language is disloyal to the United States of America, or abusive in character and calculated to bring into disrepute the United States of America, the entry or continuance of the United States of America in the war; the army the United navy, marine corps of States of America or any flag, standard, color or ensign of the United States of America, or any imitation nature as to be reasonably calculated an emergency.

to provoke a breach of the peace, if said in the presence and hearing of a citizen of the United States America, shall be a felony, and fixing the punishment for such action to confinement in the State penitentiary for any period of time not less than one year nor more than twenty-five years; declaring that if any person shall, during the time the United States of America is at war, commit to writing, or printing, or both writing and printing, by letters, words, signs, figures, or in any other manner and in any language anything of the kind of and concerning those things just enumerated in this caption, and of the kind and character thus stated in this caption that such person shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished as above stated; declaring that any person who shall publicly or privately mutilate, deface, defile, defy, tramp upon or cast contempt, either by words or acts, upon any flag, standard, color or ensign of the United States of America, or that of any of its officers, or either of them, shall be guilty of a felony and punished as just stated; declaring that any person who during the war between the United States and any other nation shall display, or have in his possession for any purpose whatsoever, any flag, standard, color, or ensign, or coat of arms of any nation with which the United States is at war, or any imitation thereof, or that of any State, subdivision, city or municipality of any such nation shall be guilty of a felony and punished by confinement in the penitentiary for the length of time first stated in caption; authorizing any person, officer, or other person to arrest, without warrant, anyone violating any section of this Act; prescribing the force and measures which may be adopted in such case: declaring that any person, officer or other person about to make such arrest shall have authority to require any person violating the provisions of this Act to desist from such violation, and authorizing the use of such force and measures as are necessary to cause such person to so desist; fixing venue and jurisdiction for violations this Act. in the district courts of the counties in which such violations thereof, or that of any officer of the occur and in the district court of United States of America, of such Travis County, Texas; and declaring

Senator Dean the same was laid on morning. the table subject to call.

Simple Resolution No. 20.

Mr. President: When we adjourn today. I move that we do so in honor of the heroes of Texas Independence, thus commemorating the most heroic events in the varied history of this great State.

Around the names of Crockett, Bowie, Milam, Travis, Fannin, Burnett, Houston and the glorious galaxy of heroic Texans has gathered an effulgent halo of glory which has not grown dim with the cycles of time, and which can not be obscured by the valorous deeds of people of any age or clime. Their names will live. their deeds will shine as synonyms of courage and devotion as long as valor has a friend, virtue a champion or heroism an admirer. Poetry will consecrate their deeds, painting will shrine their names on the sunlit canvas of immortality, sculpture will herald the grand evangelum of their fame, ages to come will catch the splendor of their deeds, and sing them to nations unborn.

These heroes compare with the chivalorous Greeks who stayed the advance of the Persians at Thermopylae, with the courageous Belgians who thwarted the advance of the Kaiser's army, with the intrepid French who withstood the hordes of the Hohenzollerns and the Hapsburgs, and the fearless Italians who surrendered the flower of Italy in defense of democracy.

The cause of the Texans was desperate. They fought bravely and courageously. History does not record among them a traitor, a slacker or a survivor.

We will do well today to honor their memory because the Saxon race presents to us none more worthy of our devotion.

> HOPKINS. SMITH.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Adjournment.

The bill was read and on motion of journed until 10 o'clock next Monday

APPENDIX.

Petitions and Memorials.

Senator Caldwell offered a numerously signed petition from the citizens of Burnet County, concerning the amendment of the Terrell Election Law.

The Chair offered a telegram from the students and faculty of the Southwestern University urging the passage of the zone law.

Engrossing Committee Report.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas March 3, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem, of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills has had Senate Bill No. 1 carefully compared, and finds the same correctly engrossed.

ALDERDICE, Chairman.

Committee Reports.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 2, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem, of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments to whom was referred

H. J. R. No. 1, "Ratifying an amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America passed by the Sixty-fifth Congress of the United States of America at its second session, which amendment provides in substance that one year after the ratification of the amendment the manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into, or the exportation thereof from, the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes is prohibited; that Congress and the several States shall have concurrent power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation, and providing further that this article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been At 3:30 o'clock p. m. the Senate on | ratified as an amendment to the Conmotion of Senator Caldwell ad-stitution within seven years from the

date of submission to the States by Congress,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

WESTBROOK, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 2, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem, of the Senate.

Your Committee on Mining, Irrigation and Drainage, to whom was referred

Senate Bill No. 10, a general irri-

gation bill,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back with the recommendation that it do not pass and be not printed, but that the hereunto attached committee substitute be passed in lieu thereof.

BAILEY, Acting Chairman.

SIXTH DAY.

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, Monday, March 4, 1918.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by President Pro Tem. Decherd.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Alderdice. Hall. Henderson. Bailey. Hopkins. Bea. Buchanan of Bell. Johnson of Hall. Buchanan of Scurry. Johnston of Harris. Caldwell. Lattimore.

Clark. Page. Collins. Robbins. Dayton. Smith. Dean. Strickland. Decherd. Suiter. Faust. Westbrook. Floyd. Woodward.

Gibson.

Absent-Excused

Hudspeth. McNealus. McCollum. Parr.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

pensed with on motion of Senator Alderdice.

Excused.

Senator Woodward for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Johnston of Har-

Senator McCollum for the ensuing week on account of important business on motion of Senator Johnston of Hall.

Senator McNealus for today on motion of Senator Bee.

Senator Decherd for Saturday afternoon on account of important business on motion of Senator Westbrook.

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Message from the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives. Austin, Texas, March 4, 1917.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

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